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[on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/50/850/Add.3)]

50/223. Death and disability benefits

The General Assembly,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General 1/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 2/

Expressing deep concern at the delay in the settlement of claims in respect of death and disability,

Taking note of the views expressed by Member States in the Fifth Committee, 3/

1. Reiterates the decision, contained in section III, paragraph 1, of its resolution 49/233 A of 23 December 1994, that underlying any system of compensation for death and disability should be the need for:

(a) Equal treatment of Member States;

(b) Compensation to the beneficiary that is not lower than reimbursement by the United Nations;

(c) Simplification of administrative arrangements to the extent possible;

(d) Speedy settlement of claims for death and disability;

1/ A/49/906 and Corr.1.

2/ A/50/684.

3/ See A/C.5/50/SR.47, 48 and 55.

2. Requests the Secretary-General to examine also the possibility of an insurance scheme to cover all troops, on the basis of a request for proposals from the global insurance market;

3. Also requests the Secretary-General to present the results of the above-mentioned action and to respond to issues raised in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions 2/ by 15 July 1996 for the consideration of the General Assembly, through the Committee.

104th plenary meeting
11 April 1996